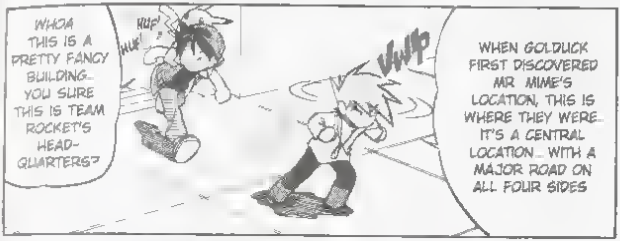
CHAPTER 29

BLUE— WHERE YOU GOIN'?


WHOA THIS IS A PRETTY FANCY BUILDING— YOU SURE THIS IS TEAM ROCKET'S HEAD-QUARTERS?
HUH!
HUH!
WHEN GOLDUCK FIRST DISCOVERED MR MIME'S LOCATION, THIS IS WHERE THEY WERE... IT'S A CENTRAL LOCATION... WITH A MAJOR ROAD ON ALL FOUR SIDES

GAAH!!
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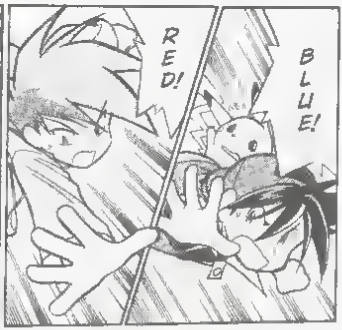
RED!
BLUE!

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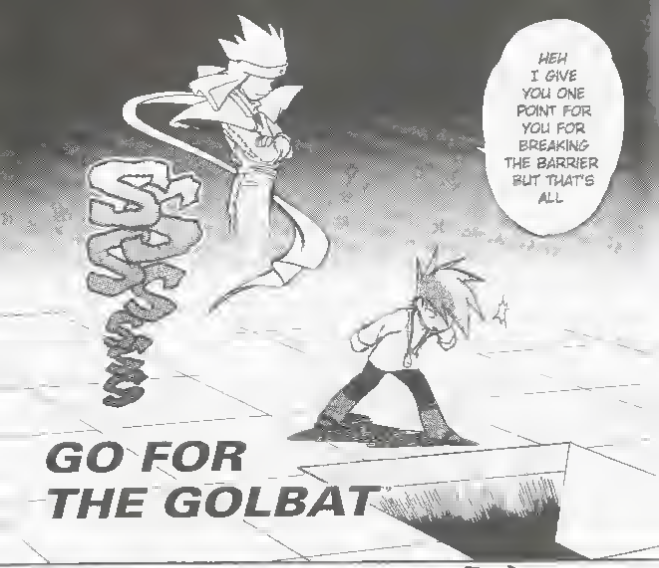
SSSSSS
HEH I GIVE YOU ONE POINT FOR YOU FOR BREAKING THE BARRIER BUT THAT'S ALL
GO FOR THE GOLBAT

SCYTHER! SLASH!
BUM
KSHAA

SSSSHHHHH

PLIP
YOU'RE QUICK

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YOU'RE A QUICK ONE-- CHOOSING YOUR ATTACK BEFORE YOU'VE EVEN SOUNDED OUT YOUR ENEMY. HEH.
ON YOUR SHOULDER -A GRIMER!!
YOU'RE THE ONE FROM THE POKÉMON TOWER IN LAVENDER CITY...!
N-- NO ..!
LAST TIME I WAS CARELESS THIS TIME I WON'T LET YOU GET TO YOUR POKÉ BALLS
NN . NGH
AND WITH-OUT HIS POKEMON A POKÉMON TRAINER IS JUST A KID
PAIN-FUL, ISN'T IT?

UNHHH.
WHAT THE ..!?
KRIIII
WHERE AM I!? AM I BACK ON IF!?
NO, I DON'T THINK I'VE BEEN HERE BEFORE
YEOW!
CRACKLE
WH-- WHAT'S WITH THIS WALL!?
THESE WALLS THEY'RE ELECTRIFIED! BUT NOT JUST THAT.
VVAAAAN
I FEEL LIKE I'VE FELT THIS EXACT VOLTAGE SOMEWHERE BEFORE
tingle tingle
YAAAA!!

ZAK
ZAK
OW-EEE!!
TH-THAT'S IT! THE POKÉMON SMUGGLERS IN VERMILION CITY! THE BAD GUY WAS A GYM LEADER WHO USED ELECTRIC POKÉMON!!
OOM
TO BE PRECISE ...ME.
YOU CERTAINLY MANAGED TO COMPLICATE MY PLANS BACK THEN...
LT SURGE ONE THIRD OF THE COMMAND TRIAD OF TEAM ROCKET!
A GYM LEADER --WITH TEAM ROCKET --!?
THIS TIME I WON'T GIVE YOU THE CHANCE!
BOOM
BYE-BYE!

GYAAH!
ZAK
ZAK
YOU MIGHT FIND THIS EVEN MORE SHOCKING ...THE ELECTRICITY IN THIS ROOM...
...WILL DOUBLE ...EVEN TRIPLE ... THE POWERS OF MY POKÉMON!
IT'LL BE AN ELECTRIFYING BATTLE! HAHAHAAA!!
B-- BUT WHY !?
WHY WOULD A GYM LEADER SIDE WITH TEAM ROCKET!?
HM? A GYM LEADER? OH, YES, THERE WAS A TIME I DID SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
I LIVED THE LEADER-SHIP ROLE QUITE THOROUGHLY ...DIGNITY, RULES, TRAINING, "PROPER" POKÉMON BATTLES...
AND WHAT DID IT GAIN ME!? WHAT !?
IT'S ALL A PRE-TENSE OF POWER!!
BUT IT'S REAL POWER-- THAT LETS ME TAKE WHAT-EVER I WANT!!

BZZZZZZZZ
THE MAGNETON ON BOTH SHOULDERS PRODUCE SONIC BOOMS THAT ACT AS A DEFENSIVE BARRIER!
ELECTRODES ARE QUICK, BUT LACKING IN STRENGTH. THIS LAUNCHER GIVES THEM POWER--AND MORE SPEED BESIDES!
ALL THANKS TO TEAM ROCKET'S TECHNO-LOGY!!
PIKA-CHU READY !?
CHUUU
NOW!!
ZAK ZAK
GYAAAH!!
ZAK ZAK
SO MUCH FOR TEAM ROCKET !!

HAA
JUST KIDDING!
!!
DO YOU THINK I'D ENTER AN ELECTRIC TRAP...
KNH KNH
...WITHOUT AT LEAST PUTTING ON MY INSULATED UNDER-WEAR?
YOU'RE ON MY TURF, BOY. YOU SHOULD EXPECT SUCH THINGS.
EVERYTHING IN THIS BUILDING IN DEVISED TO MAKE US MORE POWERFUL!
BY NOW, YOUR LITTLE FRIEND NO DOUBT HAS IT EVEN WORSE—

NOW--
FIRE!!
DSSSH
I...I DON'T GET IT. HE'S ATTACKING AT FULL POWER.. FROM THE START...
WAGGGA!!
WHY DON'T THEY RUN OUT OF POWER...!?
NYA-HA-HA! DO YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW!? DO YOU WANT TO KNOW WHY THEIR ATTACKS.. AND MY ARMOR.
...ARE ENDLESS SOURCES OF POWER!? DO YOU REALLY!?
THEN TAKE IT TO YOUR GRAVE!!
THE SOURCE OF ALL THIS POWER

KRAK KRAK
IS THE LEGENDAR POKÉMON ZAPDO !!
IT IT CAN'T BE!!
WE CAPTURED IT AT THE ABANDONED POWER PLANT AND THE LEGENDS PROVED TO BE TRUE
BZZT BZZT
THANKS TO ZAPDOS .
BZZZZZZ
. I AND MY POKÉMO WILL HAVE POWER FOREVE
NOW! ASK ME IF I WANT TO GO BACK TO BEING A GYM LEADER!!
WA HA HA HA !!

THERE THAT'S WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE FIRST FLOOR.
NNGH. RED
GNNG
HEH DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU'RE IN A POSITION TO WORRY ABOUT YOUR FRIEND..?
NNGH
GN
IT'S NO USE
NOW. IT WOULD BE EASY SIMPLY TO DESTROY YOU BUT I HAVE SOME-THING TO ASK YOU
I'LL LET YOU BREATHE ...JUST ENOUGH.
KOFF KOFF
GSS

I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU'RE PROFESSOR OAK'S GRANDSON
WE'VE BEEN ASKING THE PROFESSOR FOR HIS ASSISTANCE, BUT HE DOESN'T SEEM TO WANT TO COOPERATE. TERRIBLE, ISN'T IT?
NOW . HOW DO YOU THINK WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO CHANGE HIS MIND. . HMMM?
DO YOU SUPPOSE IF HE SEES HIS GRAND-SON IN AGONY—?
Wap
IT'S YOUR CHOICE. HELP US WITH GRANDDAD OR DIE NOW WELL?
...
NOD

N... N-- NO ...!!
TO BOTH!!
SCY-THER!
YOU FOOL!
IF YOU WANT TO DIE THAT MUCH...
HYUUU
THEN DIE!!
RAZOR WIND!

ZIP
GUH.. GRAND.. PA..
DUH
STUBBORN-NESS RUNS IN THE FAMILY
HEH.
HA HA HA HA AA !!
TO BE CONTINUED...!